

## Interview Summary

**Application No.**

10/694,276

**Applicant(s)**

JONES, WILLIAM E. M.

**Examiner**

Alix Elizabeth Echelmeyer

**Art Unit**

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All participants (applicant, applicant's representative, PTO personnel):

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Date of Interview: 30 January 2008.

Type: a) ☐ Telephonic b) ☐ Video Conference

c) ☒ Personal (copy given to: 1) ☒ applicant 2) ☐ applicant's representative]

Exhibit shown or demonstration conducted: d) ☒ Yes e) ☐ No.

If Yes, brief description: Exhibit of a Valve Regulated Lead Acid Battery, and sensors exemplary of Applicant's sensors.

Claim(s) discussed: 1 and 3.

Identification of prior art discussed: Johnson et al. (US 6,106,968).

Agreement with respect to the claims f) ☐ was reached. g) ☒ was not reached. h) ☐ N/A.

Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments: Applicant discussed the VRLA battery of Johnson et al. in comparison with the battery of the instant invention, asserting that the VRLA battery of Johnson et al. does not contain electrolyte in a liquid form. Rather, the electrolyte of the battery of Johnson et al., according to Applicant, would be either absorbed in a glass mat separator or in a gel form. With further regard to claim 3, Applicant stated that the valve was different from a valve in Johnson et al..

(A fuller description, if necessary, and a copy of the amendments which the examiner agreed would render the claims allowable, if available, must be attached. Also, where no copy of the amendments that would render the claims allowable is available, a summary thereof must be attached.)

THE FORMAL WRITTEN REPLY TO THE LAST OFFICE ACTION MUST INCLUDE THE SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW. (See MPEP Section 713.04). If a reply to the last Office action has already been filed, APPLICANT IS GIVEN A NON-EXTENDABLE PERIOD OF THE LONGER OF ONE MONTH OR THIRTY DAYS FROM THIS INTERVIEW DATE, OR THE MAILING DATE OF THIS INTERVIEW SUMMARY FORM, WHICHEVER IS LATER, TO FILE A STATEMENT OF THE SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW. See Summary of Record of Interview requirements on reverse side or on attached sheet.

Examiner Note: You must sign this form unless it is an Attachment to a signed Office action.

Examiner's signature, if required